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TAX THE PROFITEERS

But Congress Must First Be Sure That It Is Muleting the Guilty THAT figures don't lie, but that liars can figure, is one of the trite aphorisms of the literature of statistics.

world looks with various emotions at Japan. It regards with admiration and a touch of awe the placidity of Japanese existence and often is wishful in its contemplation of the peace and color, the poetry and the contentment that are perceptible everywhere in a country where no life is so humble as to suffer the affliction of ugliness or unreasonableness in its environment.

Lullaby for a Baby Tank (Apologies to Lord Tennyson)

SQUAT and low, squat and low, Tank of the western front, Feared by foe, brave Gouraud. Welcomes thy features blunt. Over the rugged trenches go.

"AFTER YOU YET!"



VACATIONING IN 1918

SEVERAL weeks ago, you may remember, I promised myself—aloud and in your presence, Mr. Editor—that I would write some articles for your editorial page.

What the country wants to know is whether the manufacturers of munitions, the shoe manufacturers, the flour millers, the garment makers and all the rest have been charging a fair price based on the cost of production, regardless of the capital invested in their business.

The program seems to be for the House of Representatives to jam the Kitchen bill through, with its provisions for heavy taxes on excess profits and on war profits, without any inquiry to discover whether those taxes will work injustice to legitimate business.

Germany reduced her bread ration yesterday, but there is still plenty of food for thought in the Central Empire. The Kaiser's anxiety to get his men out of the trenches by Christmas may be due to a fear that if he doesn't succeed he may have to put in the babies.

THE STILL, SMALL VOICE

WHY is it that the bank cashier always says to us, even before he looks at the check, "will you have it in ones?"

Lines to a Familiar Music

O why, O why should my little coal bin Still bare and empty be? O why, Mr. Garfield, have you sent No chestnut, egg or pea?

When My Ship Comes In

Years ago I used to say: This I'll do and that I'll do If my ship comes in today. With gold to spend and give away— That was ere I had met you.

William Blake as a Prophet

The New York Times has called attention to the fact that one of William Blake's engravings to illustrate Dante's Inferno shows a fiend whose face looks remarkably like that of the Kaiser.

At the Best, the Taxes Which Congress is Proposing to Levy on the Manufacturers of Commodities in General will be Handled on to the Consumer Doubled if Not Tripled.

THE REWARD OF VIGILANCE

SAFETY is a "sue" soaked success itself as a handy simile. Recent remarks of Herbert C. Hoover attest the truth of the phrase.

SCRAPPING THE DESERT'S "SHIPS"

THE German dream that important trade routes as a result of the war has come true in a way that was never joyously contemplated in Berlin.

RIOTS AND CHRYSANTHEMUMS

LIKE every other civilized country, Japan considers its form of Government ideal for its peculiar needs.

THE FAT IN THE FIRING LINE

Sousa has written a new march called "Sold Men to the Front," and is playing it at Willow Grove. Does that eighteen-to-forty-five draft refer to waist measurements as well as ages?

JOYCE KILMER

By Christopher Morley

I WONDER if there is any other country where the death of a young poet is double-column front-page news?

JOYCE KILMER, POET, IS KILLED IN ACTION which gave many hearts a pang when they picked up the PUBLIC LEDGER last Sunday morning.

JOYCE KILMER died as he lived—"in action." He found life intensely amusing, unspokeably interesting; his energy was unlimited, his courage stout.

WE DIDN'T stop in New York any longer than we had to. We saw a conductorette while riding across town. At the Grand Central we got some ice cream, but no Pullman chair.

THE conductor informed me that my B. and O. ticket books—left off from last year—were no good, not having received the Government's official O. K.

ASUALTY lists from France—boys we know or whose people we know—boys who were writing those manuscripts. Some dead, some wounded. Boys from right here in Barre. Right across the street.

POSTSCRIPT—I am finishing this letter in weather as hot as the weather was when I was writing those manuscripts. Those manuscripts—if genius is 90 per cent perspiration—ought to be important documents.

TO A man such as this, whose whole fervent and busy adventure was lit with by the lamp and freight of domestic passion, the war, with its broken home and defiled sanctities, came as a personal affront.

When We Come Back

WHEN we come back, remember the things we planned to do: The little house upon the hill with room enough for two.

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What Do You Know?

- QUIZ 1. Who is the present Chancellor of Germany? 2. What is a gibbet? 3. Who is the commander of the American troops in Siberia? 4. What was the real name of Mark Twain? 5. Who sang "Woman will be the last thing I see of you?" 6. What country in the world produces the most coffee? 7. What is a winch? 8. Who was Vice President under Taft? 9. What is a souver? 10. Why are actors called Theatians?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Henry Waters recently retired from the active editorship of the Louisville Courier-Journal. 2. Coors is the dried kernel of the cocoon. 3. The Don Cossacks are so called because of their residence in the country drained by the River Don, in the southern part of Russia. 4. Asteroids are small, irregularly shaped planets between Jupiter and Mars. 5. General McClellan was the Democratic candidate for President defeated by Lincoln in the election of 1862. 6. Newark is the largest city in New Jersey. 7. The small islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon form the only North American possession of France. They lie off the southeast coast of Newfoundland. 8. The line "The paths of glory lead but to the grave," occurs in Gray's "Elegy." 9. The Levantine, formerly the Hamburg-American Line, is the largest steamship line in the world. 10. Caspar Wessel is the man named of the Dutch Discoverer of Alaska, whose name is also the name of a chess piece. He is distinguished as a mathematician.